

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE
WESTERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA**

NOEL MONTEZ SOSA,

Petitioner,

vs.

ROBERT PATTON,

Respondent.

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Case No. CIV-15-827-W

REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION

Petitioner, a state prisoner appearing pro se, has filed a motion for leave to proceed *in forma pauperis* and supporting affidavit. Pursuant to an order entered by United States District Judge Lee R. West, this matter has been referred to the undersigned magistrate judge for initial proceedings consistent with 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1)(B). Having reviewed said motion, the undersigned finds that Petitioner has sufficient funds to prepay the filing fee of \$5.00. Because he does not qualify for authorization to proceed without prepayment of the filing fee, it is recommended that Petitioner's motion, **(ECF No. 2)** be **DENIED** and that he be ordered to prepay the full \$5.00 filing fee for this action to proceed. 28 U.S.C. § 1915(a)(1). *Lister v. Department of the Treasury*, 408 F.3d 1309, 1312 (10th Cir. 2005) (magistrate judge should issue a report and recommendation when denying motion to proceed *in forma pauperis*).

It is further recommended that this action be dismissed without prejudice to re-filing unless Petitioner pays the \$5.00 filing fee in full to the Clerk of the Court within twenty (20) days of any order adopting this Report and Recommendation.

Petitioner is advised that he may file an objection to this Report and Recommendation with the Clerk of this Court by **August 21, 2015**, in accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 636 and Fed. R. Civ. P. 72. Petitioner is further advised that any failure to make timely objection to this Report and Recommendation waives the right to appellate review of the factual and legal issues addressed herein. *Casanova v. Ulibarri*, 595 F.3d 1120, 1123 (10th Cir. 2010).

This report and recommendation terminates the referral to the undersigned Magistrate Judge unless and until the matter is re-referred.

ENTERED on July 31, 2015.



SHON T. ERWIN
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE